

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, throughout our country's history, courageous men and women have answered the call to preserve and defend democracy, justice, and the freedom we hold so precious; and

WHEREAS, protecting our liberty has claimed the lives of many who have answered the call to arms; and

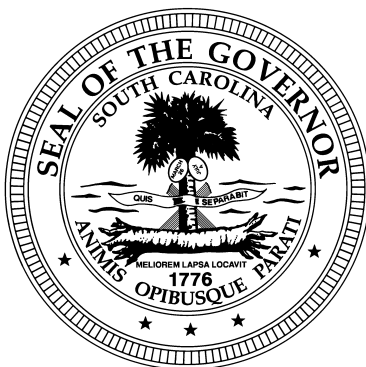
WHEREAS, the cost of conflict is high, leaving us deeply indebted to those who have fought, sustained injury, and lost their lives on the field of battle; and

WHEREAS, distributed each year by the American Legion Auxiliary, the Poppy reminds people across the nation to honor our fallen heroes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 30, 2005, as

POPPY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the significance of the Memorial Poppy in paying tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA